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ZIONISM IN CAPITAL

Local Work for Realization
of the Jewish Ideal.

MEETINGS OF YOUNG PEOPLE

By Means of Lectures and Social
Gatherings the Propagation of
Zionism Is Kept Up—Union Plan-
ning for a Home of Its Own—Series
of Lectures to Be Given in Future.

What faith is to the religious heart of a departing soul, what prospect of comfortable livelihood is to the impecunious, and what independence is to the erstwhile tyrannical people, that Zionism is to the Jews of the world. It is all of these, for in the rehabilitation of Palestine and the establishment there of a publicly-recognized and legally-secured home (such being the object of the movement) the Jews see a panacea, both spiritual and material as well as political.

To give here the history of the growth of the Zionist movement in the world, or even in this country alone, would be beyond the purpose of this writing. In a recently published encyclopedia a concise description and summary of the movement covers twenty pages. Suffice it to say here that the Zionist movement is an international undertaking. Like the Jew himself it is ubiquitous. As President Friedenwald said in his message to the ninth convention of the American Federation of Zionists, "The work of Zionism lies not only in Palestine, not only in Russia, but everywhere, and especially in America." From the viewpoint of the numerous other attractive fields for Zionism here is little short of prodigious, not to say exceedingly gratifying to the most imaginative well-wisher of the work.

The principal organization in this city whose work is mainly the propagation of Zionism is the Young People's Union of Zion. Although not a half decade old, this association has a membership of over 15, and its work is strictly in accordance with the aims of the American Federation of Zionists, of which it is a member. Its meetings are held fortnightly and are always instructive and interesting. Every means is taken to disseminate the ardor which should prevail at such gatherings, and if the numerical strength of the attendance and the enthusiasm of the participants in the discussions, readings, and addresses which take place at the meetings are indicative of the feeling of membership and others who attend, the organization is rapidly accomplishing its goal, and Zionism promises to assume a prominent place among the benevolent institutions of the city.

Meetings begin at 7:30 o'clock, and after a short time spent in the transaction of business, the evening is spent in readings, lectures, debates, or open discussions of interest to the membership as prearranged by the literary committee appointed for that purpose. Among the interesting lectures recently heard at the union are those delivered by Mr. Nathan, of the People's Union, in this city on "The Jew in Roumania;" Rev. Dr. Abram Simon, of the Eighth Street Temple, on "Zionism to the Jews of America;" Rev. Dr. Loeb, of the Shalom Temple, on "Jewish History;" and Dr. Imber, the Jewish poet, on "Herod, the Great."

Literary and Social Aspect.

In addition to this means of diffusing knowledge of the Jewish people, and stimulating interest in the work, the Young People's Union of Zion, and its always circulating among its members, including books and magazines, which has proven an attractive and useful adjunct. The Maccabean, which is the literary organ of the federation, is widely read by the members, as well as others, and keeps them informed of the progress of the movement. Other interesting features of the meetings are the reports of delegates to meetings of the central organization. The Southwestern Council, a branch of the federation, of which the union is a member, has its quarterly meetings, usually in Baltimore, Md. and they are always attended by three or more members of the local union, elected therefor. The transactions at these gatherings are always interesting and the reports of the members attending are looked for with great eagerness. Then, too, the federation has its annual conventions, this year in Tannersville, N. Y., from June 28 to July 4, and at these the union is always represented by two or more delegates. The reports of the delegates of what has transpired at the convention, which are made on their return, are always a special attraction at the meeting.

Nor is the work of the union limited to its efforts in the literary line. The social aspect is not overlooked, and during the summer months its excursions down the river are always well attended as well as profitable to its treasury. The seasoning of indoor labor with outdoor pleasure is not at all distasteful to the membership. Outings into the country and visits en masse to some place of interest are not unusual, and are always occasions for renewed enthusiasm. In the winter dances, balls, and festivals are given, which are largely attended by the public. The season this year will be opened with a dance and ball at the National Rifles' Armory on the 31st instant. Theater parties are also arranged, and such plays as "The Shepherd King" and "Cymbeline" are popular with the members.

In the charitable field, also, the Young People's Union of Zion has been felt. Assistance to relieve the conditions of coriellionists in foreign parts is always forthcoming, and local undertakings of a benevolent nature are also assisted.

Looking to the Future.

The arrangements in future are even more promising. It is the purpose to proceed hereafter along a well-outlined plan, rather than arranging for each meeting as heretofore. A semi-annual schedule on the present policy of allowing each lecturer to name his subject. To be able to symbolize historical events in the life of the Jewish people by amateur performance presented by members of the union is also the hope of its present officers. Should the plans now being made mature the union will soon have a home of its own, sufficient to accommodate its meetings and stationary library, commensurate to its needs.

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"It strikes me," said the middle-aged man with the rheumatic limp, as he paused on the curb on upper Fourteenth street, "that the city boys manage to develop his muscles a good bit, notwithstanding all this talk about lack of juvenile exercise." He was an interested and, as he was willing to admit, an envious spectator of the gyrations, gymnasticizations, and circumvolutions of young America on roller skates. A chubby small boy, who could hardly have outgrown his first pair of trousers, swung round a lamp-post, pursued by a loose-jointed stripling but little short of six feet. Indeed it was astonishing how many excessively tall boys there were on skates. These had a laughably spectral appearance as they skirred by in the deepening dusk.

Another thing which interested the man with the rheumatic limp was the number of those who navigated on skates. The uncertain movements and the balancing feats and defects of some of these made him realize the aptness of a popular description of one who is semi-intoxicated, "the same time the aptly of some of the youngsters with 'a skate on' won his admiration."

There were three or four small girls among the skaters, who appeared and disappeared during the hour with the rheumatic limp tinged on the curb. But they were somewhat timid, and made no dashing breaks over the asphalt and across the track of devil cars and street cars, as did their more venturesome brothers. Two pretty young ladies from a nearby apartment house appeared, and gave their new skates a trial, with occasional outbreaks of laughter, but the skates were little savants of timidity when their pretty feet agreed to disagree.

But the most astonishing exhibition seen by the man with the rheumatic limp was that of a stocky colored boy, hardly more than three feet high, who few past on one skate, oblivious of everything but the intoxication of his feet. He was the skater who rapidly striking the ground with an accuracy and vigor which forced him onward with a speed almost equal to that of the fastest street car.

PANAMA NEEDS GARDENERS.

Consul Kellogg Says Truck and Poultry Field Is Big.

There is a good opening for Americans in Panama who wish to take up truck gardening and poultry raising there, according to the report of Consul James C. Kellogg, of Colon. The supply of vegetables raised on the isthmus does not meet the demand, he says, and consequently much of this product is shipped from Jamaica, New York, and New Orleans. Even then the supply is insufficient and the prices charged in the markets of Colon are extremely high. Modern truck gardens situated along the Canal Zone would undoubtedly become profitable investments and would contribute much toward solving the food problem on the isthmus.

The consul says that the extreme crudeness of the natives are extremely crude and Consul Kellogg sees a fine opening for American farm implements when the country ayakens to the possibilities in the agricultural line.

Laborers are paid from 50 to 80 cents gold per day for clearing virgin land and getting them ready for planting, but owing to the slow methods employed, the cost of clearing an acre of land is about \$500. With the use of modern implements this cost would be greatly reduced. Poultry and ducks are not raised to any extent, and in the district of Colon they command exorbitant prices. Most of the poultry is imported from Cartagena, Colombia, and New Orleans and retails from 50 cents to \$1.50 gold. Fresh eggs are also a scarcity and the cold storage products shipped from New York and other ports sell for 5 to 5 cents gold, each.

GOVERNMENT PAYS FOR AUTO.

One in Use in San Francisco Is Decidedly Expensive.

Automobile is decidedly expensive for the government, according to a report Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. Records just received here. Six months ago the customs officials at San Francisco purchased a machine for \$2,500. It also hired a chauffeur, the only official chauffeur in connection with the customs service. For the first six months the automobile has cost the government \$1,250 for repairs, supplies, and storage. The itemized bill shows that for one month the expenses for the machine were over \$500.

The same report states that \$100 a month is charged for an automobile in San Francisco. The War Department is said to have spent about \$100 for automobiles during the earthquake. The company which owns all the carriages for hire in the city will not let the horses be driven in one section where the debris is not yet cleared away. The street car service has not yet been completely restored, and automobiles have become indispensable for certain transportation work.

Rev. Mr. Taylor at Shiloh To-day.

Rev. J. Anderson Taylor, the recalled pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church, concerning whom there has been such a big row in the congregation, leading to the expulsion of certain officials of the church who gave currency to a rumor concerning him, will fill his pulpit to-day. It is learned that the rumor in question never took the form of a charge, and charges, and that, therefore, the unfriendly deacons could not have found any charge "substantially true," as stated. Harmony is now hoped for, as a result of Friday night's meeting, and the full statement is promised shortly. The pastor's followers say, which will show that he has been much ill-used.

U. S. W. Veterans to Banquet.

Monday evening, November 19, has been selected as the probable date of the banquet to be held by the United States War Veterans, under the auspices of the chairman of the various subcommittees which formed the encampment committee in charge of the recent national encampment. Details are in the hands of a committee, of which Capt. G. Layburn Shore, past commander of John Jacob Astor Camp, is chairman.

Father Schmitt to Officiate.

The Rev. Valentine P. Schmitt, pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, will be present to-day at the dedication of the new Ursuline Convent recently established in Froeburg, Md. Bishop Curtis will conduct the dedication ceremonies and Father Schmitt will officiate at the mass. Rev. Leonard J. Riley will assist at St. Joseph's in the absence of the pastor.

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"In the navy, however, the sailor's propensities in this direction are curbed by his watchful first lieutenant, whose vision is as that of the lynx, and whose most peremptory demand is for cleanliness.

"Your sailor at sea is a busy man. Even in his hours of duty his industrious fingers are at work mending hammock, stitching his jacket, building himself a new pair of trousers, or doing some of the nautical fancy work for which he is famous. When, however, his cares are all behind him, when the good ship goes bowling along her eleven knots an hour, with a steady breeze on her quarter, when all is snug below and aloft, and it's back at the watch, he sits on a coil of rope, sticks his black pipe in his mouth, and, surrounded by an enthusiastic circle, proceeds to train his pets.

Dog Was a Navigator.

"There is one story in the navy which has been handed down from generation to generation about an old foretopman on the Constitution. Will Birney was his name, and when he first went on board the old ironside he made friends with a shaggy young Newfoundland, which had belonged to the ship from puphood.

"One day they were sailing in the tropics 'full and by' with a light, variable wind. Birney was steering, and he solemnly swore for years afterward that every time he let the ship go off or come up a half point more than was necessary the dog would rush aft from the mizzen hatch, where the serious-minded deck had stood looking up at the sails, and bark at the skylight overhead in the most contemptuous manner.

"I remember that on one of our small coast survey schooners there was once a litter of puppies belonging to the captain. They were on his mind that it was an infringement of his dignity to be relegated to the second table, so one day he undertook a demonstration of his rights.

"It was a warm summer evening. The wardroom officers were just being helped to their soup when there was a rush overhead, followed by a succession of tiny barks. The officers looked up and beheld every one of the skylights overhead occupied by a pup reaching over as far as he could get, his mouth open and his tongue hanging out.

"The first lieutenant jumped from his seat. At that moment, as if upon agreed signal, Spottycue slipped from his hold and plunged headlong into the turret of hot soup. As in duty bound, the others followed his example, and for a while, in the midst of sounds of breaking glass, and a prolonged yelping, squealing, and whining, it fairly rained puppies.

"Their next exploit, a day or two later, was to fall overboard together, being led as usual by the indomitable Spottycue, whose cheerful disregard of consequences was rather appalling. They were rescued from a watery grave and wrapped in tow towels, whence they escaped, only to eat a lot of poisoned fly paper. They became deathly sick, of course, and all that night and to be attended to by two of the officers and most of the crew.

A Wonderful Parrot.

"Shortly after the civil war one of our steam frigates visited the port of Rio de Janeiro. Her commander had a parrot of which he was inordinately fond.

"Every morning after quarters Polly would be brought into the cabin, and the 'old man' would talk to it and smooth its feathers.

"Six months' confinement on board ship began to tell on the bird's health, so one day it was suggested to the commanding officer that a trip ashore, where it could fly around the trees and eat its accustomed juicy shoots and buds, might tune up its energies. The proposition being favorably received, preparations were made for the parrot's journey. It was put in a cage, which was enveloped in a rough sack, and the whole confined to the care of the commander's cabin steward.

"Now, it appears that the bird was a rather aggressive and insolent negro, was anything but popular with the men, so when he tried to get into the boat which was to carry him and a lot of liberty men to the shore, no one offered a hand in helping him with the parrot.

"There was a heavy swell on at the time; the steward did not jump at the right moment; he missed his footing, reached for the rope, and in so doing he fell from falling, and with a last feeble, despairing squawk, Polly, the bag and the cage disappeared beneath the boisterous waves.

"Next morning the commanding officer said to the steward: 'How is Polly getting on?'

"'Fine, sir,' replied the mendacious Ethiopian. 'She enjoys every minute of the time, and she's getting fat already.'

Steward Had to Make Good.

"Substantially the same conversation occurred between the commanding officer and his steward every day for a week, and at the end of that time the 'old man' declared that the bird must return. In vain did the steward argue that she was doing so well that it was a pity to remove her. The commander, however, insisted that he was anxious to have her again.

"This put the steward in an awful plight. He remembered that the 'old man' had said that he valued Polly more than a dozen thick-headed nigger stewards.

"At last an idea entered the head of the perfidious dandy. He went ashore and procured from a local fish market a eel that closely resembled those he had

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The property on the northwest corner of Thirteenth and G streets was recently sold to a Washington investor, the deal being reported yesterday. The property was formerly owned by W. W. Miller, of New York, who bought it last summer, and has now disposed of it at a profit. The price is said to have been \$50,000, and according to the figures given by the broker, Mr. Miller bought the property at \$29 a square foot and sold it at \$35.

The same firm recorded a deed on Friday for the transfer of the property at 106 G street, from Henry G. Potter to Clarence C. Calhoun. This property has a frontage of 25 feet and a depth of 100 feet, and is said to have been sold at \$55,000.

NEGROES AT JAMESTOWN FAIR.

Race Plans to Make a Creditable
Display at the Exposition.

At the first meeting of the Negro Development and Exposition Company, held in the Vermont Avenue Baptist Church Friday night, Chairman Ferdinand D. Lee explained its object, which was to interest colored people of Washington in next year's exposition at Jamestown, and to make a display.

The chief address was that of Giles B. Jackson, of Richmond, director general of the Negro Development and Exposition Company of the United States. His speeches were also delivered by Prof. Jesse Lawson, Mrs. Julia Mason Layton, Mrs. Anna E. Murray, J. A. Langford, and George W. Lee, pastor of the church. An appeal for financial assistance was met with a subscription of \$500.

The office of the company is at the corner of Twelfth and U streets, and is open from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. The board of managers consists of F. D. Lee, chairman; Daniel Murray, vice chairman; Thomas L. Jones, attorney; A. Pittman, architect; Prof. Jesse Lawson, Rev. G. W. Lee, J. A. Langford, Prof. W. H. Thomas, A. H. Underwood, Dr. Charles H. Marshall, Dr. A. M. Curtis, Charles F. M. Brown, Rev. M. W. D. Norman, E. Murray, Prof. J. D. Baltimore, Prof. A. U. Craik, George W. Lee, pastor of the church, Dr. W. Bruce Evans, Dr. B. McGuire, Maurice Corbett, Daniel Freeman, Mrs. Julia M. Layton, Mrs. Anna E. Murray, M. A. Curtis, W. A. Atkins, J. C. Grubbs, W. R. Griffin, Thomas H. Clarke, and Joseph A. Lawson.

WILEY NEEDS HELP.

Civil Service Will Examine Would-be
Assistants.

Prof. Wiley is in need of an assistant, according to the announcement made yesterday by the United States Civil Service Commission. The Commission states that an examination will be held on November 27-28 to fill a vacancy in the position of assistant chemist, at \$1,500 per annum, in the Bureau of Chemistry, Department of Agriculture.

In the examination, education and experience will have a weight of 50 per cent, practical questions on theoretical and applied chemistry will rate 40 per cent, while translation in German and French will count 10 per cent.

Applicants whose applications show them to be otherwise eligible will be admitted to this examination regardless of the training and experience shown.

WILL INCORPORATE IN DISTRICT.

To-morrow the Pope Automobile Com-
pany, of Washington, will be incorporated
under the laws of the District of Colum-
bia, with a capital of \$25,000. The officers
will be: Charles M. Campbell, president;
Col. E. C. Wood, vice president; George W. White, treasurer; R. G. Donaldson, secretary, and C. Royce Hough, general manager. The board of directors will be formed of these officers, and A. C. Moore, John H. Nolan, Dr. DeWitt C. Chadwick, and David Moore.

READINGS FOR THE BLIND.

The following is the programme for voluntary reading and music in the reading room for the blind opened at the Library of Congress: Tuesday, October 29, Mrs. Henry Harris Barlow; Saturday, November 3, Mrs. Mary Boole Hinton. A song and piano recital will also be given in November by Miss Eva Whitford and Miss Helen Calhoun. The door to the library will be closed promptly at 2:30 p. m.

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